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WHEREAS, the City of Columbus and the Columbus Downtown Development Corporation have embarked on a project to create a world-class urban park called the Scioto Greenways Project; and

WHEREAS, the Scioto Greenways Project will begin to restore the natural river course, improve the ecological systems and river habitat, provide new recreational options, enhance the economic development potential of the area, and create a multi-acre greenway through downtown Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County is a partner in this project, and desires to contribute to the Scioto Greenways Project; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County may contribute funds for the construction, improvement, maintenance and operation of public parks pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sec. 301.26; and

WHEREAS, in exchange for Franklin County's promise and commitment to provide financial support, the City has agreed to grant Franklin County a non-exclusive permanent conservation easement to ensure the park portion of the Scioto Greenways Project will not be committed to an alternative purpose in future years; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes to enter into an agreement with City in regard to the Scioto Greenways Project; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO;

- 1. That the "Scioto Greenways Agreement between the Board of Commissioners, Franklin County, Ohio, and the City of Columbus, Ohio," attached hereto, is hereby adopted.
- 2. That, as outlined in the Agreement, Franklin County shall contribute a total of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) to the City of Columbus to be utilized to design, construct and complete the Scioto Greenways Project, in exchange for a non-exclusive permanent conservation easement.
- 3. That, as outlined in the Agreement, Two Hundred Fifty Thousand \$250,000 Dollars shall be paid to the City on or before December

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15, 2014, and the balance shall be paid to the City on or before March 31, 2015.

4. That the attached purchase order in the amount of \$250,000 that is individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List is hereby approved.

Submitted by: Kris Long